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In all too many cases, CT tenants facing eviction have not had legal resources by which to present mitigating facts or conditions which might contest the issues raised by their landlords. Often there are delinquencies on the landlords' part, which are not revealed, and which have significantly abused their tenants' living conditions.

Covid 19 creates unique hardships of unemployment and health crises. Language difficulties also play a part in disadvantaging some tenants facing eviction proceedings. Were legal counsel available, missed court appearances or errors in filing time-sensitive forms would be prevented.

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